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1. EMBASSY LONDON IS REQUESTED (ON JUNE 24 IF AT ALL POSSIBLE) TO DELIVER BY UNCLASSIFIED CIRCULAR NOTE THE TEXTS OF U.S. PROPOSAL AND STATEMENT CONTAINED IN REFTEL A) TO FCO AND MISSIONS OF ANTARCTIC TREATY CONSULTATIVE PARTIES IN LONDON. TEXT OF PROPOSAL (SUBPARA 3) SHOULD FIRST BE AMENDED BY ADDITION OF A SENTENCE, AS FOLLOWS: "SUCH CONSIDERATION WILL BE COMPLETED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT IN ANY CASE WITHIN ONE YEAR OR PRIOR TO THE NEXT CONSULTATIVE MEETING, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER." SUGGESTED TEXT FOR CIRCULAR NOTE FOLLOWS: COMPLIMENTARY OPENING "...AND TRANSMITS HEREWITH THE TEXT OF A U.S. PROPOSAL FOR PROCEDURES TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE RIGHT CONFERRED BY ARTICLE IX (2) OF THE ANTARCTIC TREATY AND THE TEXT OF A CLARIFYING STATEMENT. CONFIDENTIAL

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THE MATTER OF PROCEDURES FOR THE STATED PURPOSE HAS BEEN AND WILL BE UNDER DISCUSSION AT THE MONTHLY PREPARATORY MEETINGS PRIOR TO THE SPECIAL ANTARCTIC TREATY CONSULTATIVE MEETING." (COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE)

2. EMBASSY SHOULD CONVEY TO HEAP AND FCO OUR APPRECIATION

FOR HEAP'S COMMENT ON OUR DRAFT PROPOSAL IN LETTER TRANSMITTED BY REFTEL B) AND INFORM THEM THAT THE PROPOSAL WE ARE CIRCULATING INCLUDES A CHANGE SUGGESTED BY HEAP. ALSO, INDICATE THAT WE WILL DISCUSS OUR PROPOSAL WITH ARGENTINA AND ANY OTHER CONSULTATIVE PARTY THAT WISHES TO DO SO BUT WILL NOT INITIATE DISCUSSIONS EXCLUSIVELY WITH ARGENTINA AT THIS TIME. CHRISTOPHER

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